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## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Enclosed for the consideration of the Examiner in connection with the prosecution of this case is a copy of Japanese patent publication No. 5-317466 and 07-213655 cited in the Office Action in the corresponding Japanese patent application. Also enclosed is a Form PTO/SB/08.

According to applicants', U.S. Patent No. 5,378,295 cited in the Form PTO/SB/08 corresponds to JP 5-317466. An abstract in English and an English translation of JP 07-213655 are enclosed. Please refer to these documents for the relevance of the two Japanese patent publications.

The Office Action in the Japanese patent application also cited Japanese Utility Model Application No. 59-046566, a copy of which was submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement of June 6, 2005.

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